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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

Responsive to the Notification of Defective Response mailed September 10, 2002, enclosed is a computer readable form (CRF) and paper copy of the previously submitted Sequence Listing. The Notification indicated that the previously submitted CRF was damaged. I hereby state that the contents of the paper and CRF of the enclosed Sequence Listing are the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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